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Amendments to the Specification:

Please delete the title and substitute therefore --NESTED STENT--.

Please add the following new paragraph before the first paragraph on page 1:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS:

This application is a continuation of and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 09/977,823, filed October 15, 2001, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/271,304, filed March 17, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,319,277, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/708,651, filed September 5, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,906,639, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/289,791, filed August 12, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,575,816, which are all incorporated herein by reference.

Please add the following new paragraph to the BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS after the paragraph for Figure 8 as follows:

--Figure 9 shows a membrane covering which may be employed in combination with the stent of the present invention.--